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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly replace paragraph [0016] with the following amended paragraph:

[0016] ~~According to a yet further aspect of the present invention there is provided~~ The present invention thus advantageously provides an economical means of providing occupant protection from head injury from a sun visor during a crash.

Kindly replace paragraph [0019] with the following amended paragraph:

[0019] Figure 3 shows a ~~shows a~~ partial cross section plan view of the notches of a preferred embodiment of the visor arm of the present invention.

Kindly add new paragraph [0019.1] after paragraph [0019]:

[0019.1] Figure 4 shows a partial cross section plan view of the notches of another preferred embodiment of the visor arm of the present invention.

Kindly replace paragraph [0022] with the following amended paragraph:

[0022] Referring now to Figure 2, there is shown a front plan view of the tubular visor arm 10 of Figure 1. This front view gives a better view of the mounting flange 4 located substantially at the distal end of tubular visor arm 10 as well as the elbow in the distal end section 1, as well as the at least one flat area 7 on the tip section 3. The notches 5 are also shown in this view which presents the side of the tubular visor arm 10 facing the occupant or rear of the vehicle when the sun visor (not shown) is in a down or use position. It is presently preferred for the angle of the elbow in the distal end section 1 to be substantially about 90 degrees.

Kindly replace paragraph [0023] with the following amended paragraph:

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[0023] Turning now to Figure 3, there is shown a partial cross section plan top view of mid section 2 of the tubular visor of shown in Figures 1 and 2. Tubular sun visor arm body 2 is shown with metal tube 8 and the notched configuration of first breakaway notched 5 and second breakaway point 6. It is to be noted that in the presently preferred embodiment the breakaway notches 5 and 6 penetrate through the tubular wall of mid section 2 but that either or both notches 5 and 6 can also be configured such that they do not penetrate the tubular wall of mid section 2. It is to be further noted that the presently preferred first breakaway notch 5 has an ovoid shape and the preferred second breakaway notch 6 has is v-shaped.